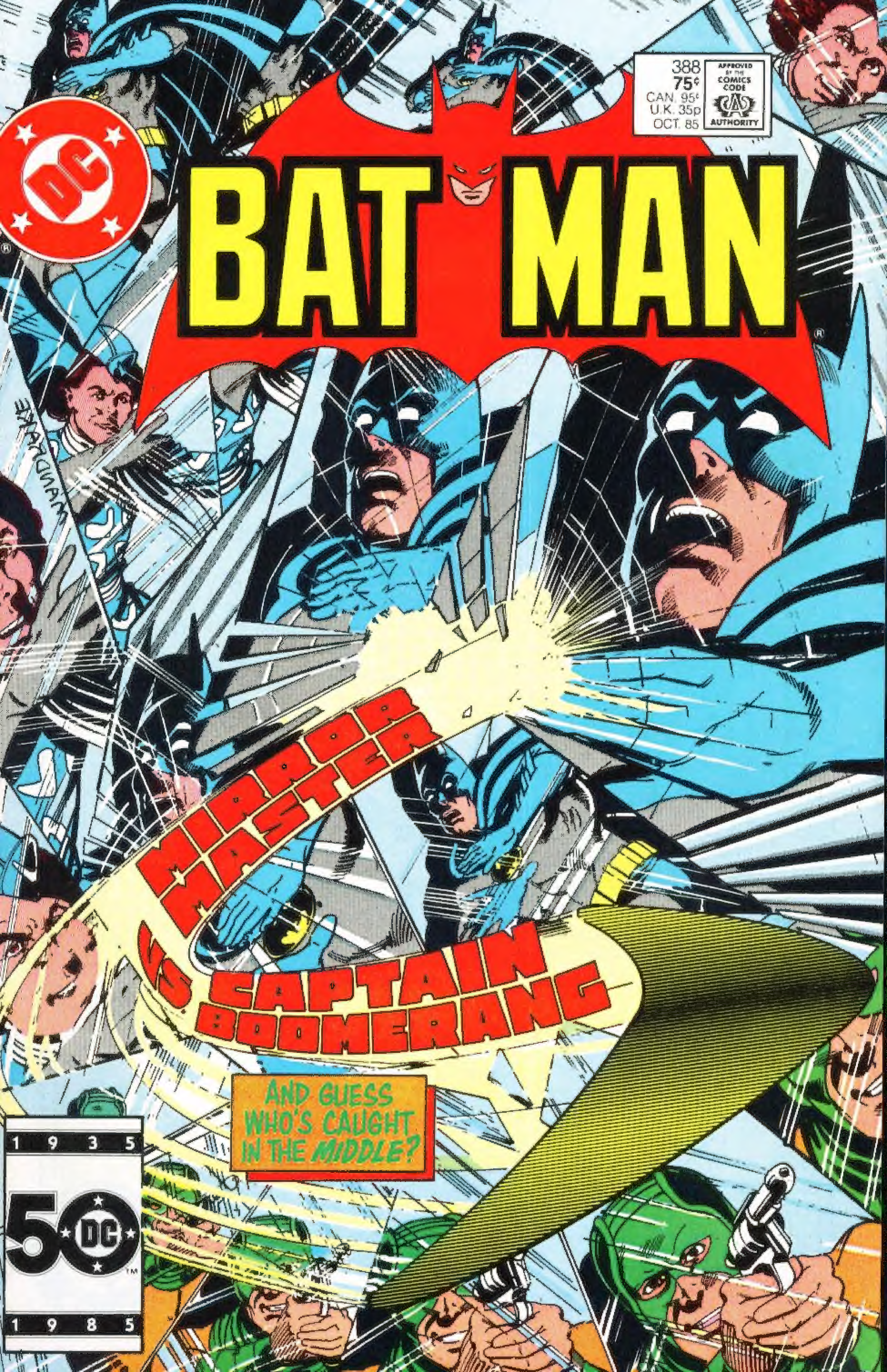




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THE
MIRACOR
MASTER
VS CAPTAIN
BOOMERANG

AND GUESS
WHO'S CAUGHT
IN THE MIDDLE?

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THE CITY OF GOTHAM ENTERTAINS
AND/OR DISAPPOINTS SOME SEVEN
MILLION TOURISTS EVERY YEAR.

BATMAN



THESE TWO VISITORS
FROM CENTRAL CITY,
HOWEVER, ARE NOT
AMONG THEM.

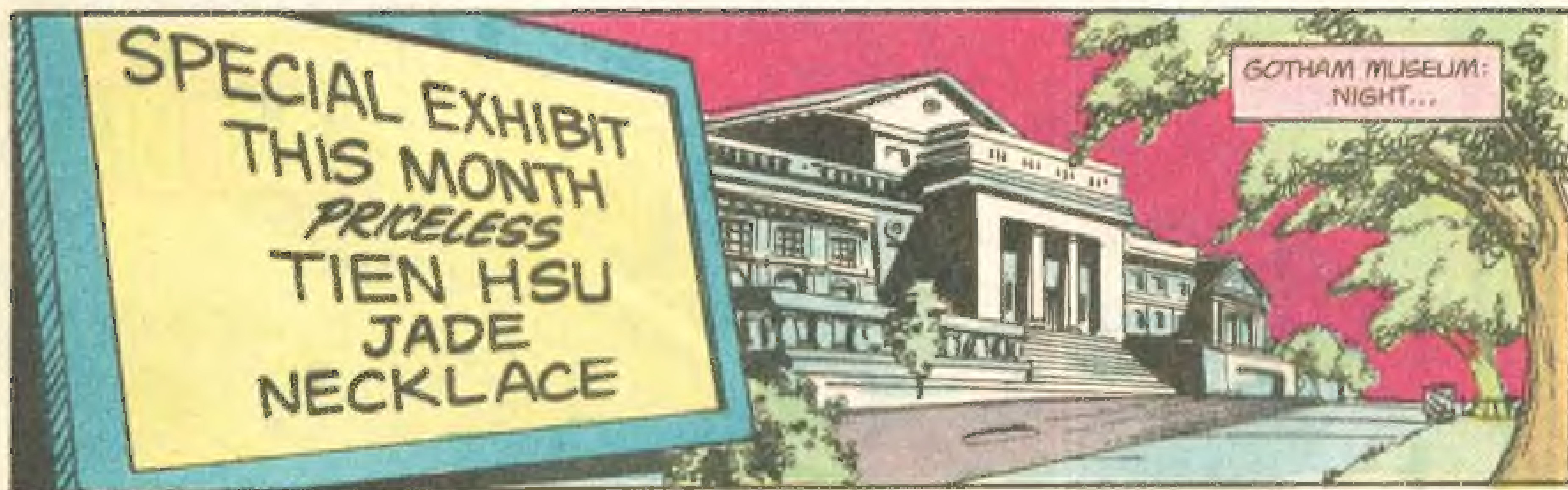
NEVERTHELESS, THE
BATMAN'S HOSPITALITY
IS BOUNDLESS.

THE ROUND-TRIP LOOKING GLASS!

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BUT OF COURSE, MIRROR MASTER-- CRIMINAL MINDS THINK ALIKE, DO THEY NOT?



YEAH... AFTER LEAVING CENTRAL CITY, I GUESS IT'S ONLY NATURAL WE'D BOTH HEAD FOR THE ONE PLACE WITHOUT A SUPER-HERO LIKE THE FLASH, SUPERMAN, GREEN LANTERN, OR--

THERE'S A FLAW IN YOUR CYNTHMENT, MATE.

SUPERPOWERS OR NOT, THE BATMAN IS JUST AS FIERCE AS ANY OF THE OTHERS AND I OUGHT TO KNOW...



I'VE FACED HIM BEFORE-- TO MY REGRET. #

THEN WHY DID YOU CHOOSE GOTHAM?

BACK IN BATMAN # 321, WRITTEN BY MODEST LEN.

REVENGE, MATE-- A SCORE TO SETTLE.



STILL THE SAME OLD HARD-CASE FROM DOWN UNDER, HUH?

BUT IF BATMAN'S REALLY SO TOUGH, MAYBE WE SHOULD TEAM UP.

TOGETHER, WE COULD GET RID OF BATMAN AND RULE GOTHAM.



INTERESTING, IN VIEW OF THE SITUATION...



... THAT YOU SHOULD MAKE SUCH A PROPOSAL, MIRROR MASTER.

WOULD YOU DO THE SAME WITH THIS NECKLACE IN YOUR HANDS?



JUST BECAUSE YOU SCOOPED ME HERE-- BY A SNEAK ATTACK-- YOU THINK YOU'RE BETTER THAN ME?

WELL, FORGET IT!

BACK IN CENTRAL CITY, I WAS ALWAYS THE FLASH'S NUMBER-ONE FOE!







I JUST THOUGHT OF SOMETHING, CAPTAIN BOOMERANG...

HAVE YOU GOT ONE OF YOUR EXPLOSIVE BOOMERANGS WITH YOU?

OF COURSE, MATE, BUT I'M TELLIN' YA THE BATMAN--



IS ONLY HUMAN.

COME ON-- DUCK IN HERE!



NO SIGN OF THEM HERE IN THE DINOSAUR HALL...



...BUT WHERE COULD THEY--

OVER HERE, GUANO-PUGG!

EH--?



BLINDING LIGHT!

NOW, BOOMERANG-- HE'S DAZZLED!

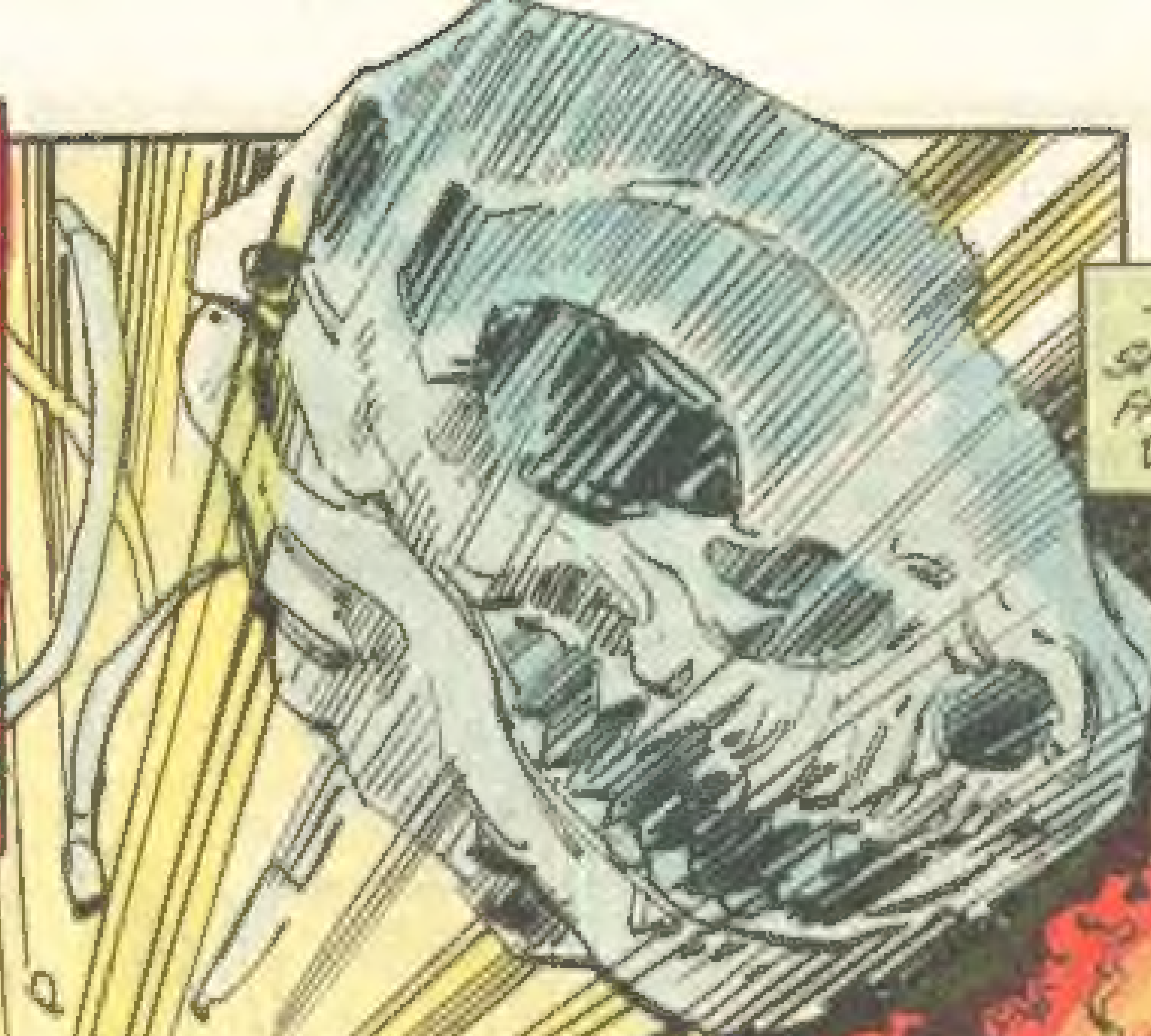


I HEAR YA, MIRROR MASTER-- AND THIS IS ONE BOOMERANG I DON'T WANT TO RETURN!

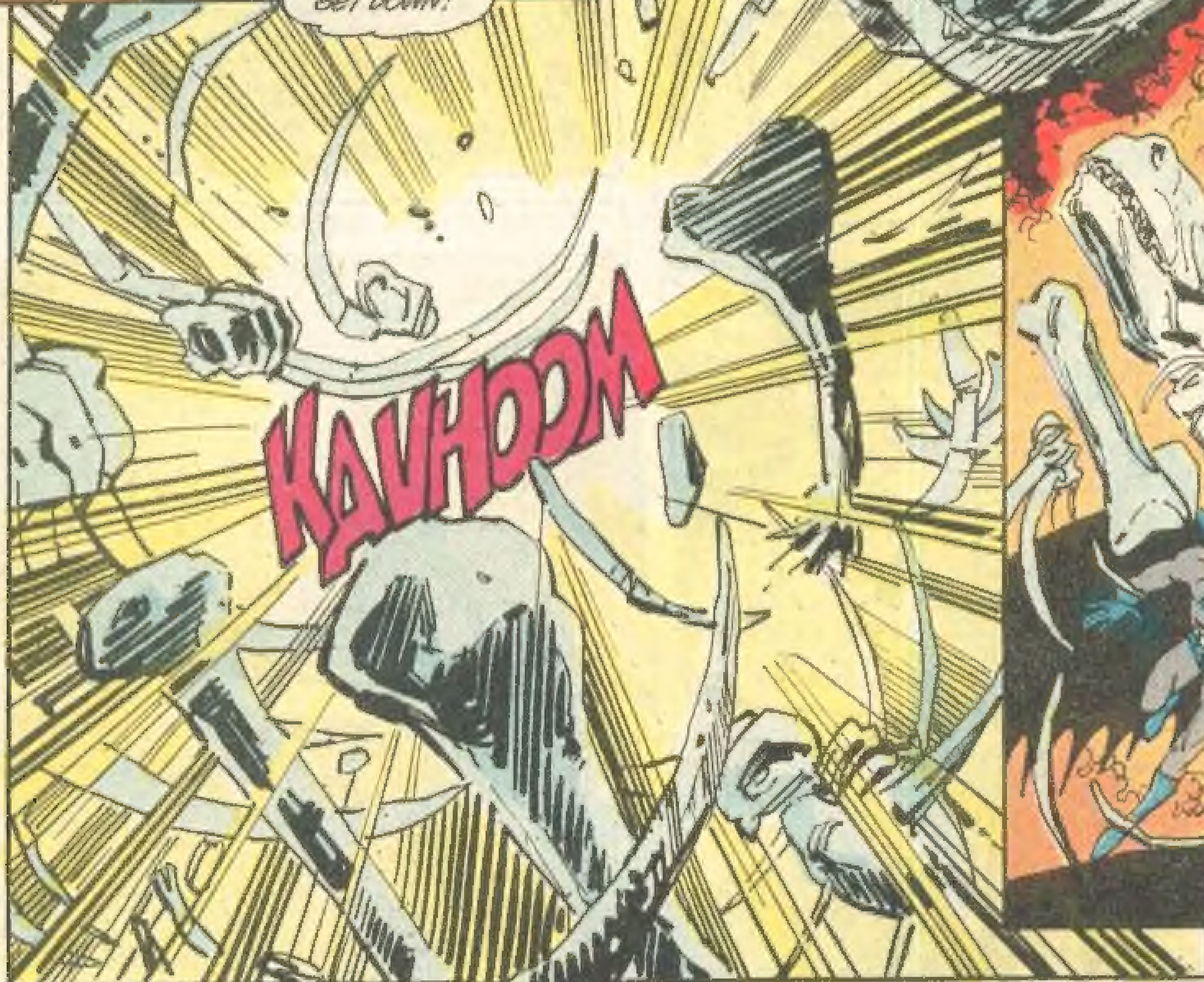


AND ONLY QUICKER WITS SAVE HIM--

GOT TO
GET DOWN!



--FROM
SHARING THE
FATE OF THE
DINOSAURS.



UHN!



NO BONES BROKEN...
NONE OF MINE,
ANYWAY...

... BUT I'M
PINNED
DOWN...



AND THE TWO VILLAINS
TAKE THE BEST OF IT.

YOU MISSED, IDIOT!

AT LEAST I
STOPPED HIM!
WHAT DID YOUR
MIRROR DO?

MAKE HIM
SEE SPOTS
FOR A
WHILE?



IT WAS WHILE IN JAIL FOR ROBBERY THAT JOE SCUDDER MADE AN AMAZING DISCOVERY...

BUT THEN HE NOTICED--



AFTER HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON, SCUDDER PUT HIS STARTLING FINDS TO USE--AS THE MIRROR MASTER.

INDEED, THE MIRROR MASTER WAS ABLE TO TRAP ANY IMAGE HE DESIRED, TRANSFORM IT INTO A PERFECTLY REALISTIC HOLOGRAM, AND MANIPULATE IT INTO ANY MOVEMENT VIA COMPUTER ANIMATION.

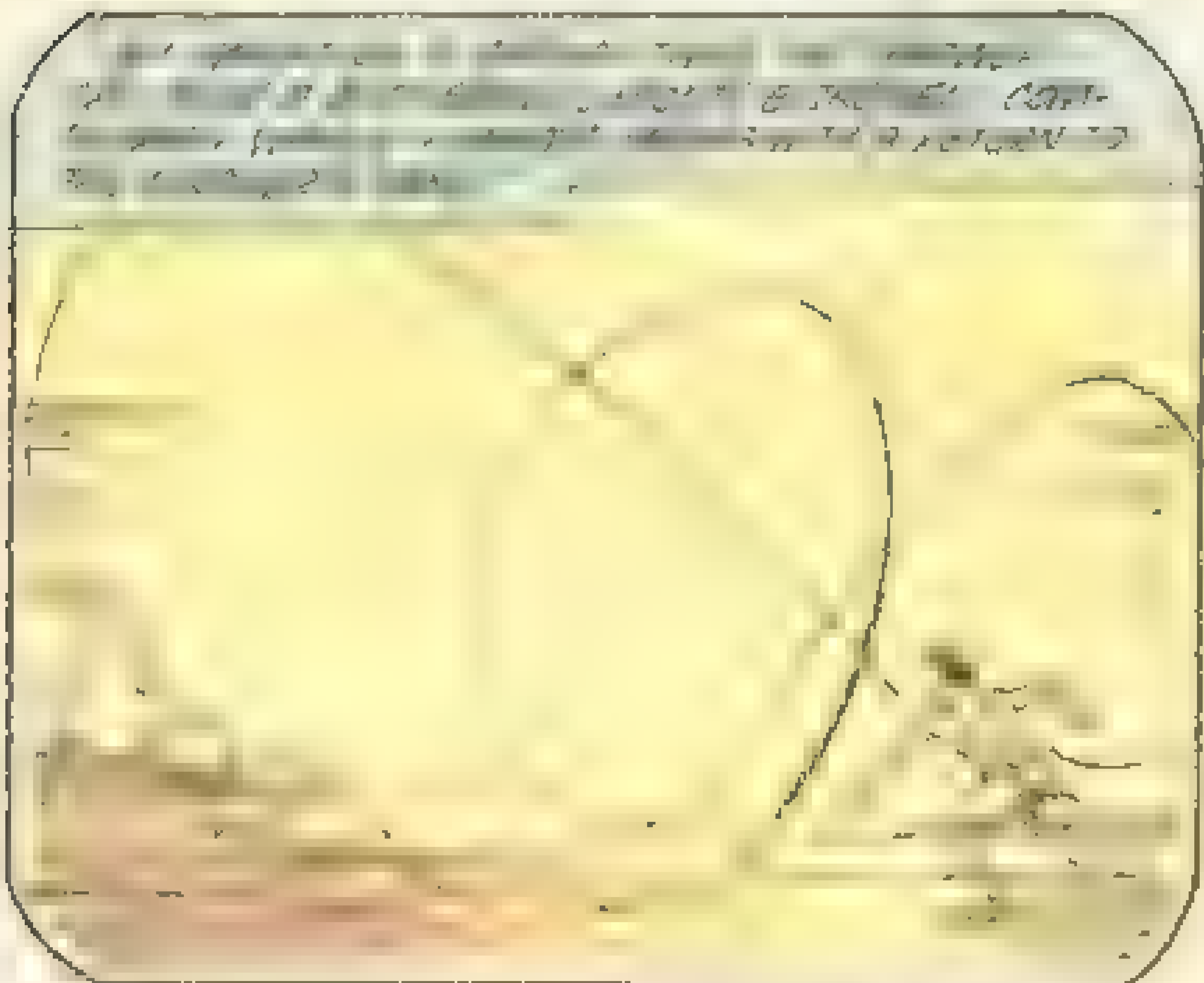




YOU'RE ALL AWARE OF THE CRIMES CAUSED BY YOURS AND HULLA'S FORCES

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YES-- THEY MADE PROFITS FOR THEIR MANUFACTURERS



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AND HE IS COMING TO HAVE A RECEPTION WITH THE BOOMERANG, GENTLEMEN...

A TOTE SHAPLE BUT AERODYNAMICALLY, THE DEVICE USED BY THE BUSHMEN OF AUSTRALIA IN HUNTING AND WAR



THE DEVICE ITSELF IS FOOLPROOF-- CHEAP TO MAKE, ASTOUNDING PERFORMANCE

BUT WE MUST CREATE A NEED FOR THE DEVICE A AND A VERITABLE BOOMERANGS REVOLUTION

THEREFORE, WE WILL PUBLICIZE OUR BOOMERANGS WITH A PROTEST SPOKESMAN AND DEMONSTRATIONS



THIS DEVICE IS DEFINITELY COOL



WELL, SIR, HOW DO YOU LIKE YOUR NEW CAPTAIN BOOMERANGS COSTUME?

TIP-TOP, MR. WIGGINS-- THE KIDS WILL LOVE IT.



BUT THE COPS-- AND THE FLASH-- HATED IT WHEN DIGGER HARKNESS WENT FROM SHILL TO VILLAIN, HUH?

RIGHT-- ADDING NEW TRICK BOOMERANGS TO HIS ARSENAL WITH EVERY CRIME.

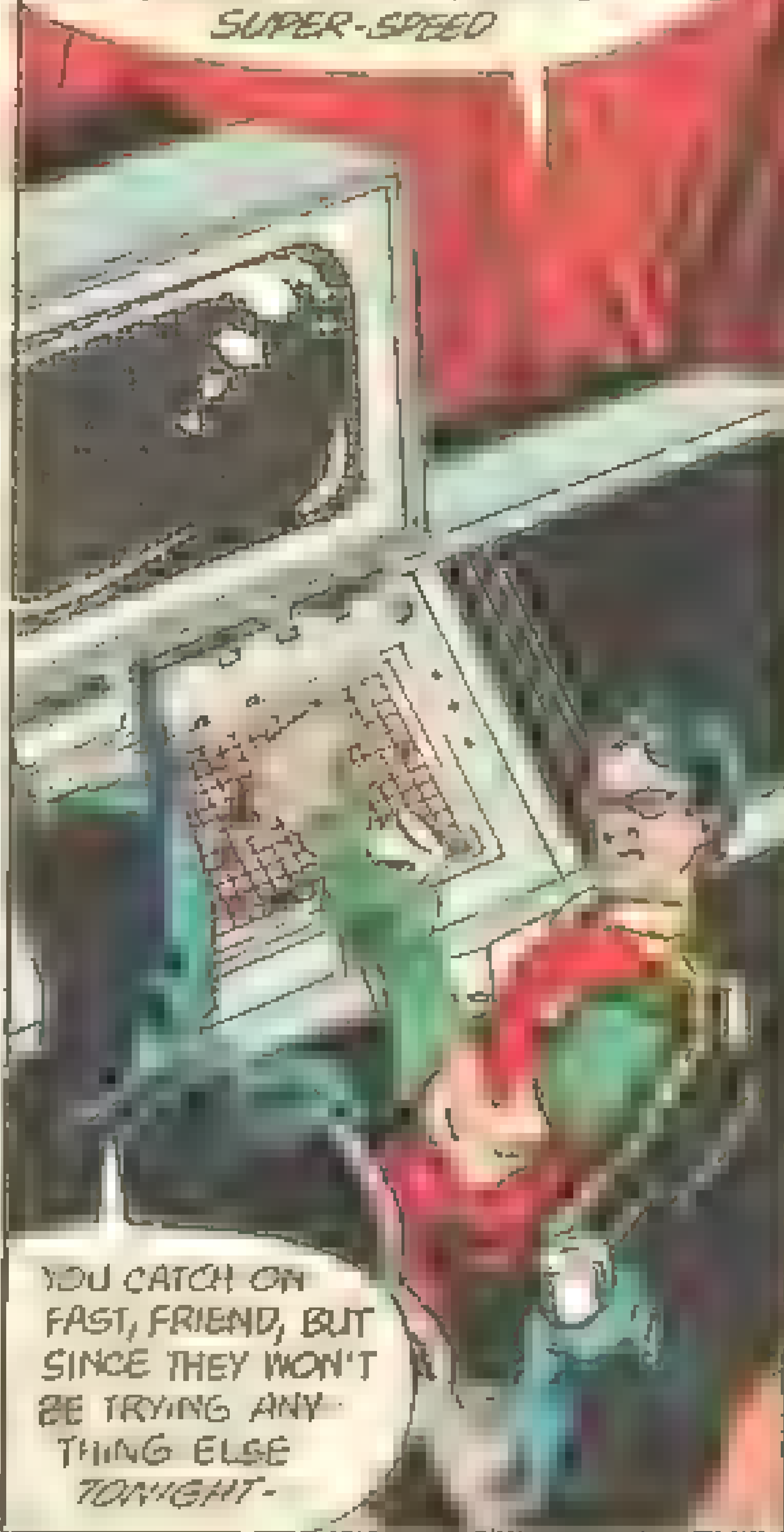
MORE REFRESHMENTS, SIRS?

FORTUNATELY, THE FLASH HAS
MANAGED TO DEFEAT BOTH OF
THEM REPEATEDLY--AND EVEN
I'VE STOPPED CAPTAIN
BOOMERANG ONCE BEFORE.*



BLK Y - OH, IS A REAR END
THAT - EMBARRASSED LEN

YEAH, BATMAN, BUT NOW WE MAY
HAVE TO FACE BOTH OF THEM AT THE
SAME TIME-- AND WE DON'T HAVE
THE BENEFIT OF THE FLASH'S
SUPER-SPEED



YOU CATCH ON
FAST, FRIEND, BUT
SINCE THEY WON'T
BE TRYING ANY
THING ELSE
TONIGHT-

--WE MAY AS WELL GET SOME
REST FOR ROUND TWO.

STILL WISH
I HADN'T
BEEN STUCK
HERE WITH
A ~~WIFE~~
WHILE YOU
WERE KEEPING
WATCH ON
THE MUSEUM
TONIGHT



YOU KNOW THE
RULES--AND THEY
INCLUDE NO MORE
YALAS IN CLASS

ALL OF THE
FINDINGS
OF THE
DAY, \$1500
TO THE
MUSEUM
FOR THE
JOE
SUPPORTS
THE



GOTTA THINK UP SOME SPECTACULAR
MIRROR CRIME THAT'LL PUT CAPTAIN
BOOMERANG IN HIS PLACE

BUT WHAT KIND
OF CRIME COULD
I--

DU, JOE
SUPPORTS



HUH?
Y-YEAH
WHY?

THE MASTER
OF MIRRORS
GUY?

H-HOW
DID YOU--

WORD GETS
ARE YOU IN
GOTHAM, PAL.





I'M GLAD YOU INVITED ME OVER FOR A DRINK, BRUCE, BECAUSE I HAVE A REQUEST TO MAKE...

OH? I'M SORRY, JULIA - WHAT WERE YOU SAYING?

WELL, I... I REALLY THINK I'M READY TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT, BRUCE



I'M WITH JULIA - I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT HERSELF

YOU SEE, AFTER WRITING ALL THOSE PHOTO CAPTIONS AND SHORT "HUMAN INTEREST" STORIES FOR PICTURE NEWS, AND NOW MY STRAIGHT REPORTING FOR THE GOTHAM GAZETTE



BUT I KNOW VICKI'S FEELING HURT AND REJECTED...

WELL I'D LIKE TO TRY WRITING A BOOK - ABOUT GOTHAM'S BLACK MARKET AND I WANT IT TO HAVE ALL THE INTEREST AND IMPACT OF OTHER SUCH BOOKS



YOU KNOW - FATAL VISION, HEETER SHELTER, IN COLD BLOOD.



THEY'RE CONFESSING BOOKS

ORD KNOWS VICKI'S MARRIAGE IS IMPROVING - THE BODY IS BEING CARED FOR

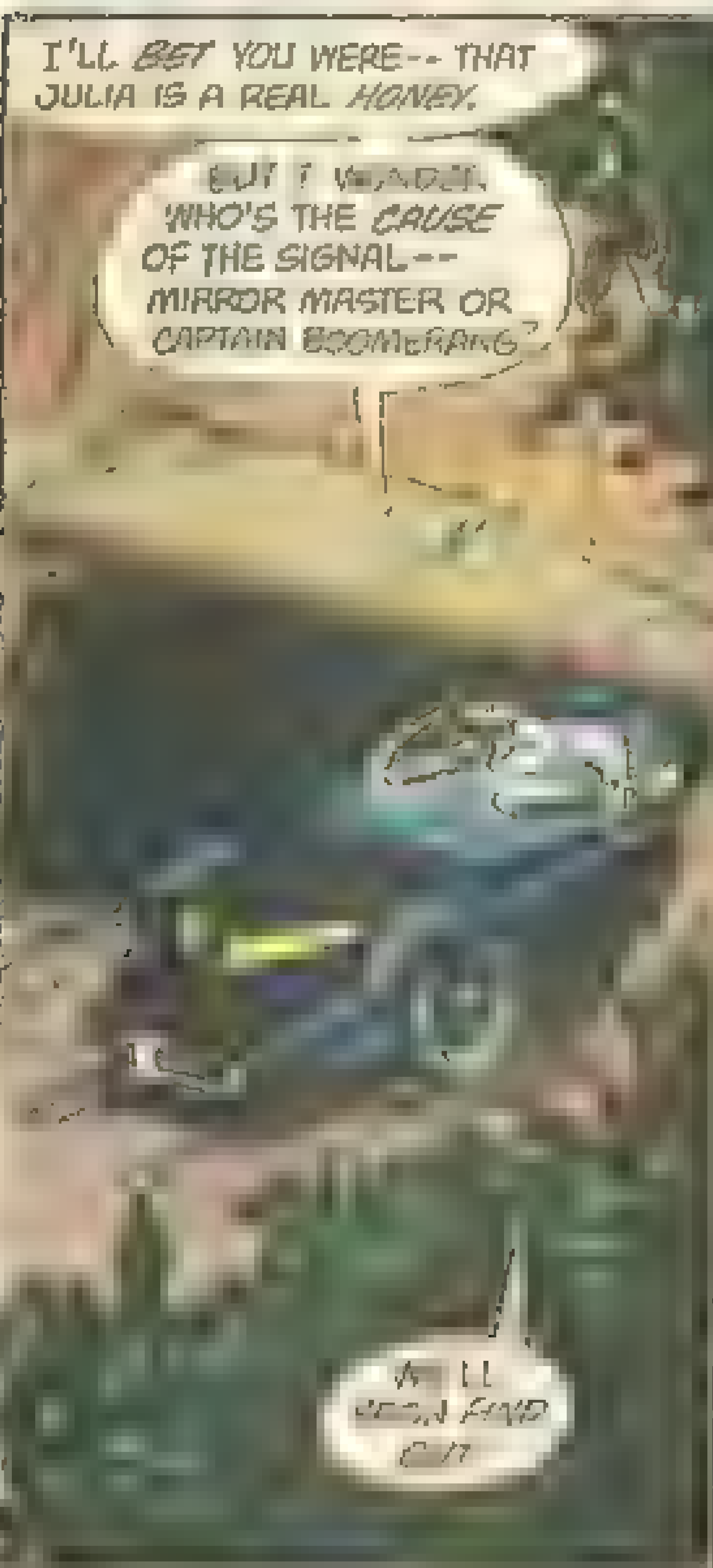
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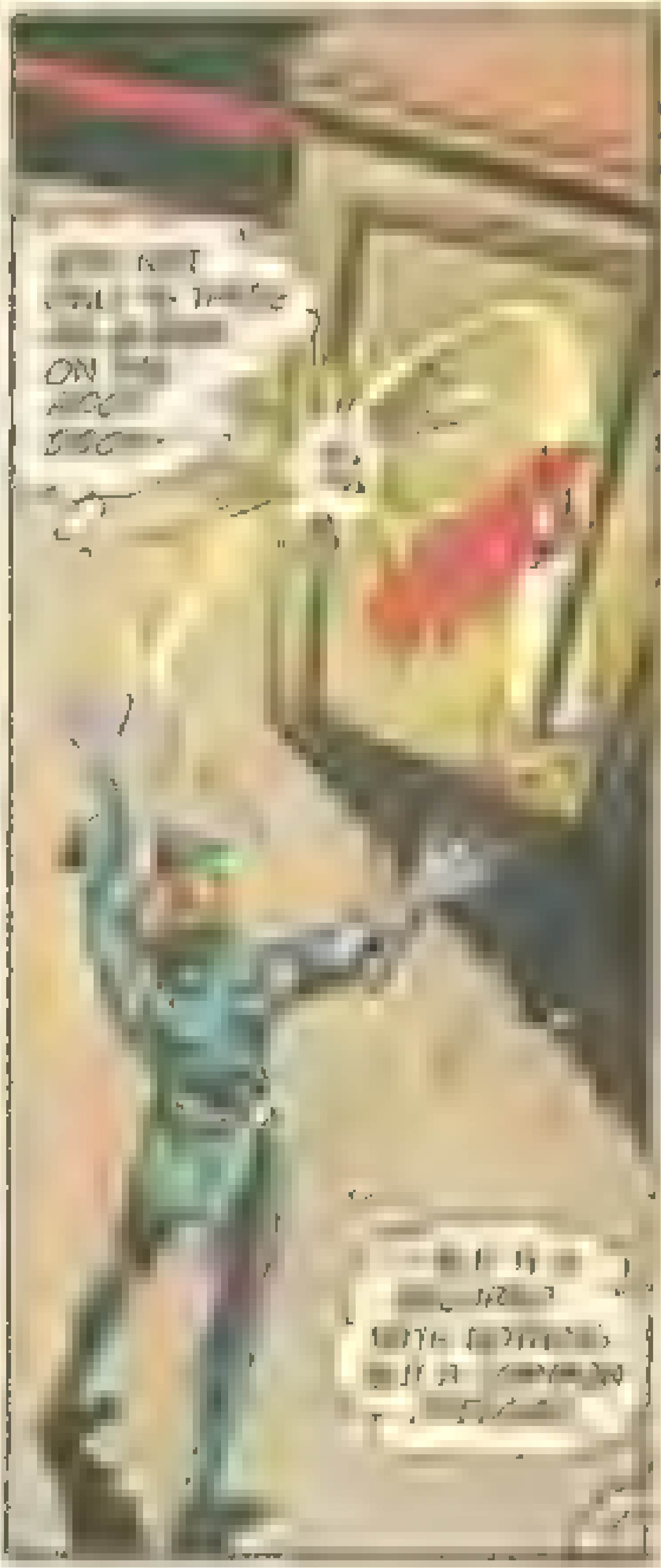


FRIENDS, BRUCE I THOUGHT



OH







THE PEOPLE WHO
DON'T STEAL
MONEY ARE ALWAYS
FINDING WAYS
TO TAKE IT

WHICH MAKES
IT SO MUCH EASIER
FOR THOSE OF US
WHO DO STEAL.



NOW TO
SUBVERT THE
PERCHANCE

SELECT THE
PRIME PICKINGS
AND



HOLD
THE ALARM!
BUT WHO??



THE VAPOR
RASTER
OUR NEW
LEADER

HE WANTS
YOU IN THE
HOSPITAL

YOU'RE



AND ACROSS THE BAY

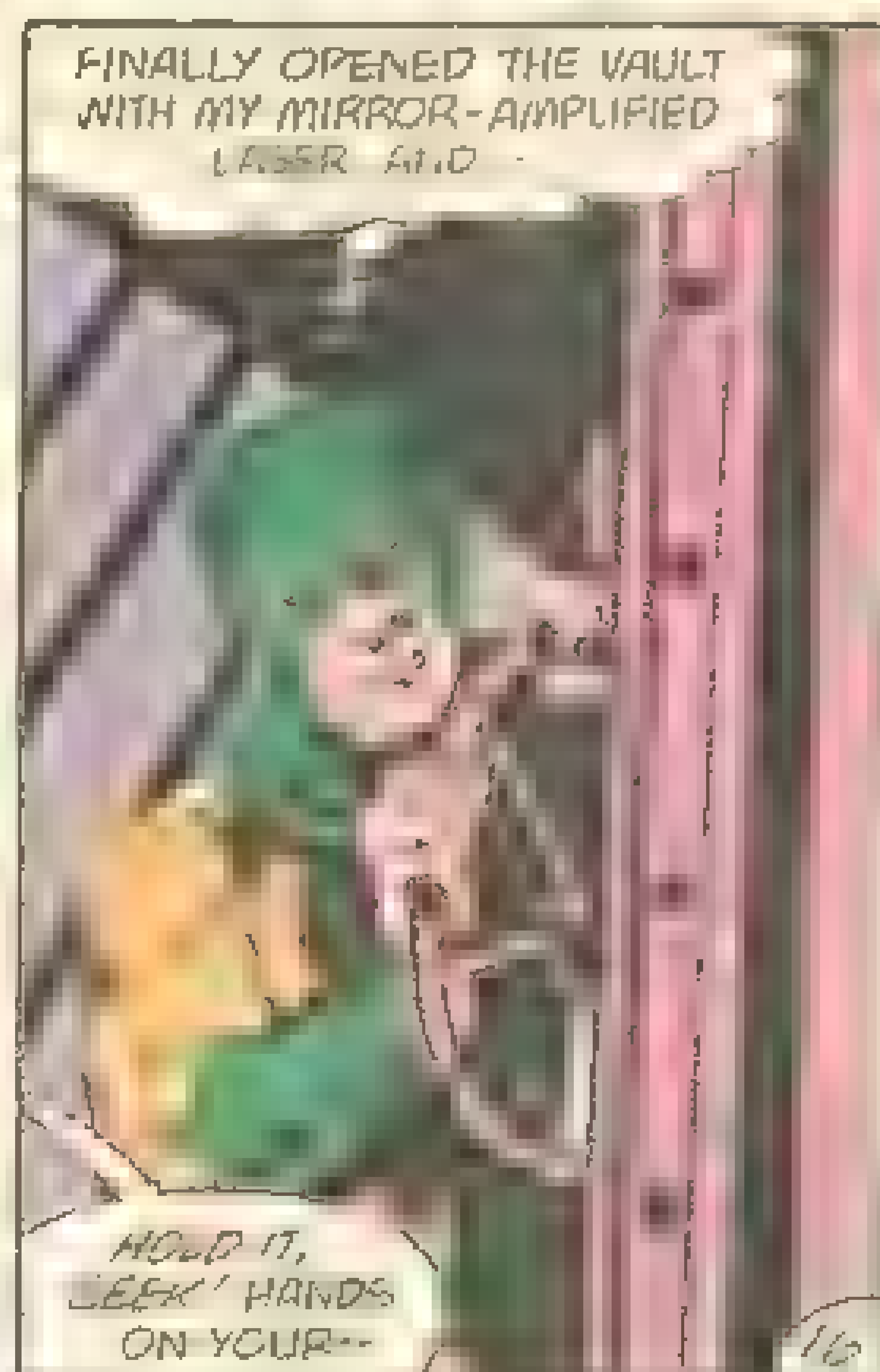
THIS IS IT,
KID.

THE SILENT ALARM'S
COMIN' FROM THIS
BANK



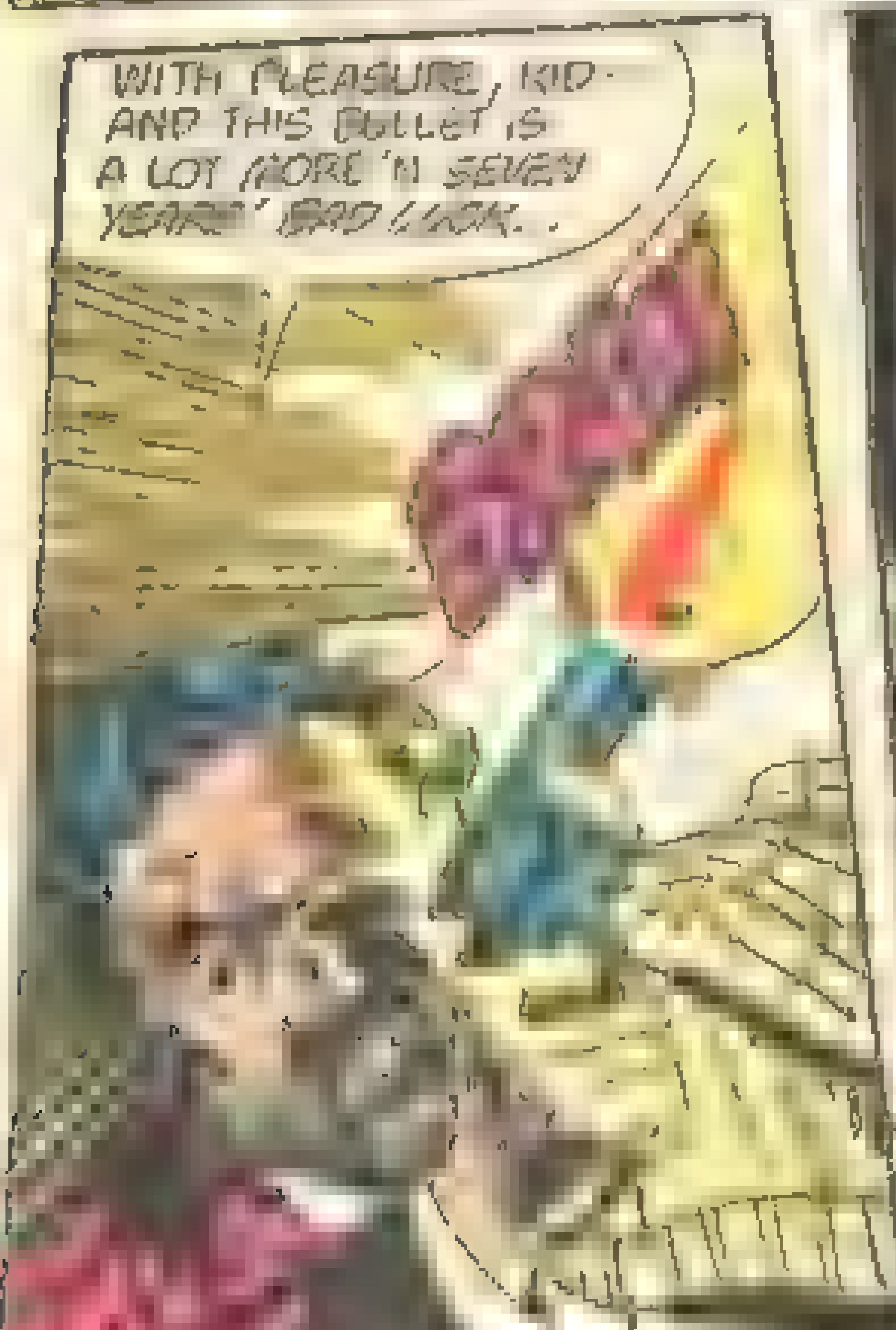
I'LL TAKE THE BUCK,
BULLOCK

DON'T BE
TOO EAGER
WITH THAT
PEASHOOTER



FINALLY OPENED THE VAULT
WITH MY MIRROR-AMPLIFIED
LASER AND

HOLD IT,
EEK' HANDS
ON YOUR--



PERFECT
TRAINING,
BATMAN!

YOU'RE JUST
THE DISTRACTION
I NEED!

WHY! STAY BACK!
IT'S CAPTAIN
BOOMERANG
I WANT!

I DON'T
HAVE
P.T.
OR EMI

THEY'RE JUST
THE DISTRACTION
I NEED!

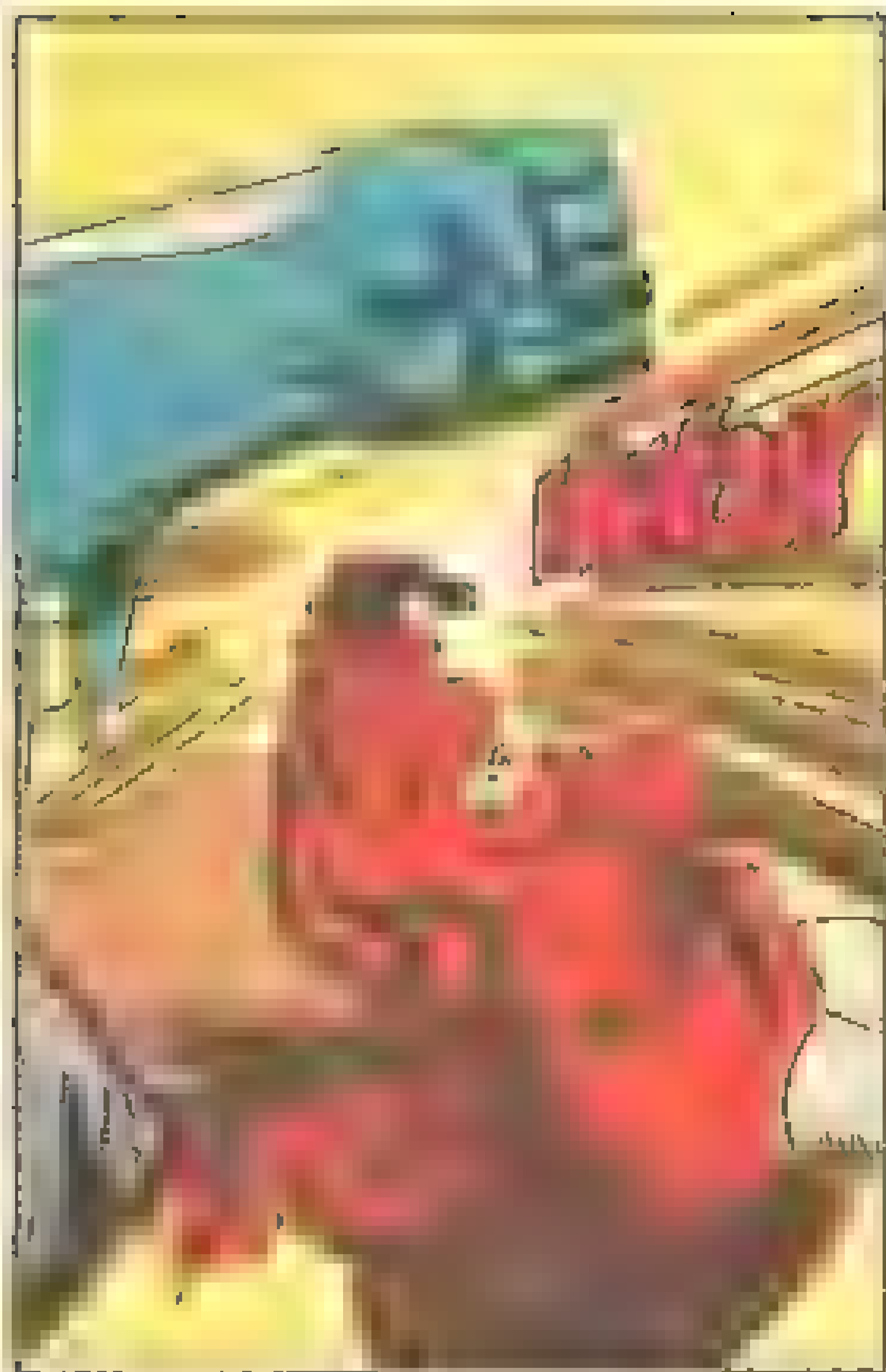
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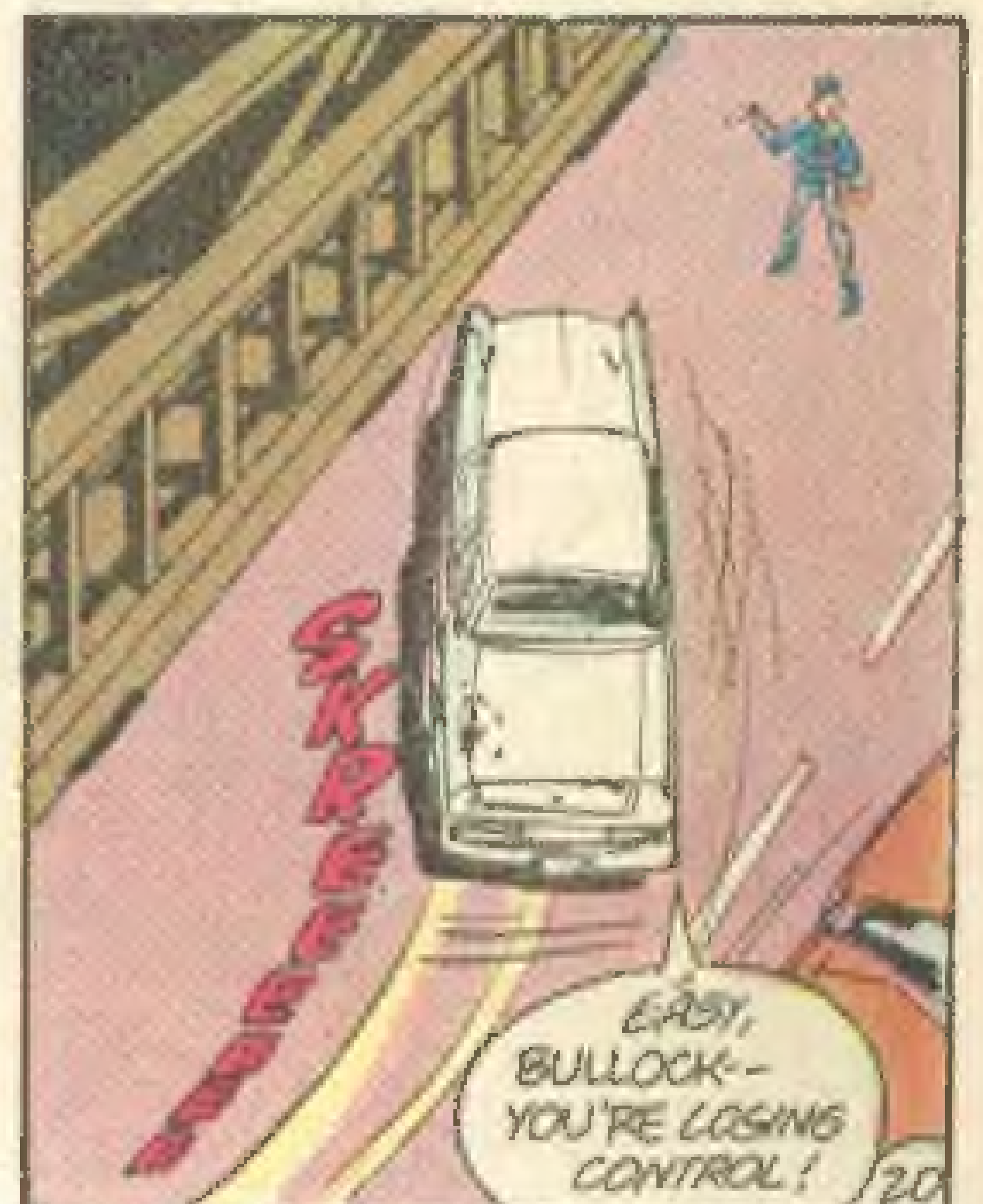
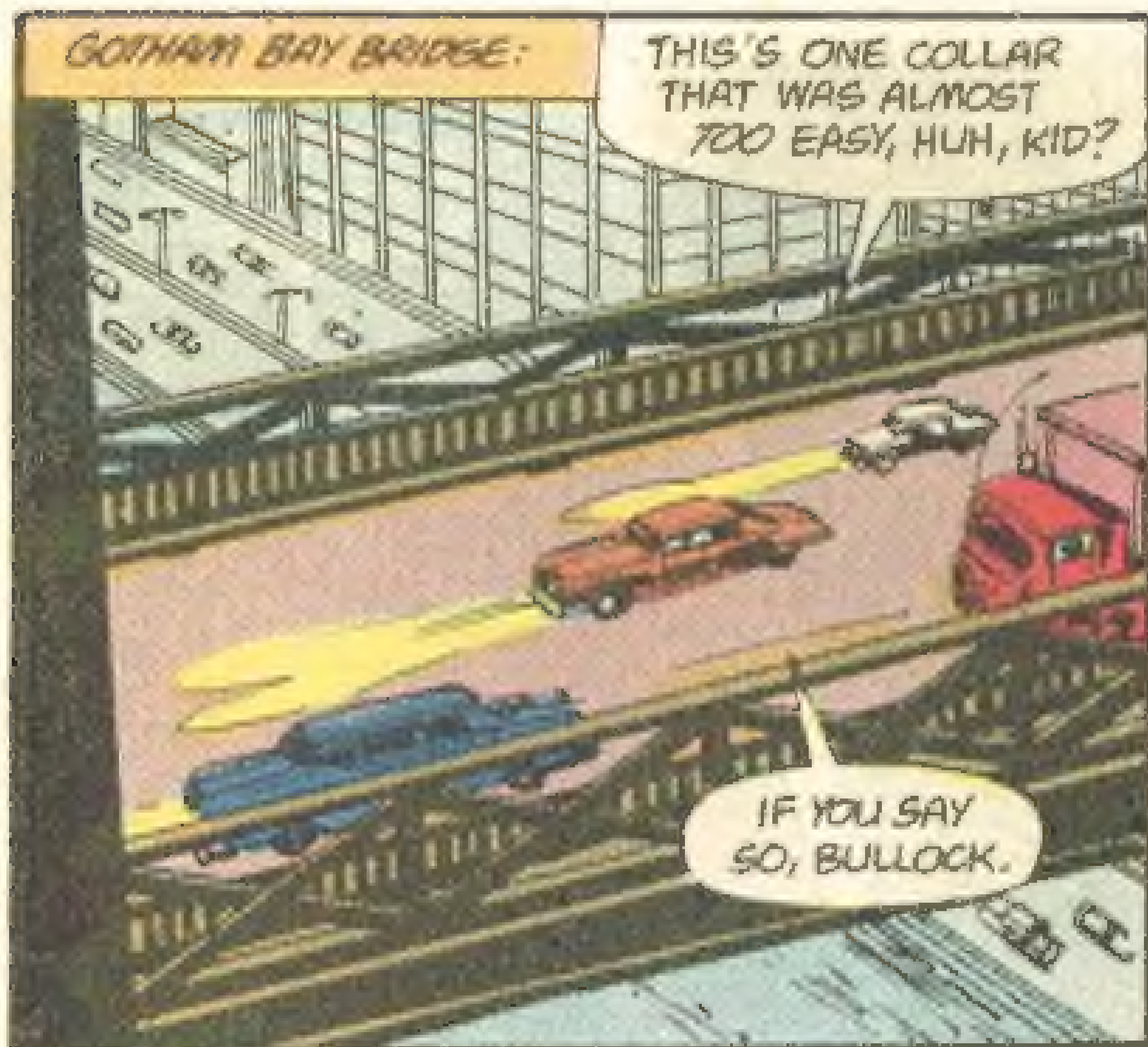
THAT DOES IT!

WHY! STAY BACK!
IT'S CAPTAIN
BOOMERANG
I WANT!

AND
BEHOLD, THE
HUNT IS NOT
OVER YET

I JUST FOUND SOME
TIME TO SPARE





NOW TO SLAM THE BACK OF
HIS HEAD WITH MY SHOULDER...

OOOPH!

WHAT THE--?!
WE SMASHED
RIGHT THROUGH
HIM AND HE
DISAPPEARED...

-- LIKE A
GH-GHOST!!

SKRASH

HEY!!

SO LONG...

... GEEK.

NOT A GHOST,
BULLOCK-- BUT ONE
OF HIS MIRROR
MIRAGES, SOMEHOW
PROJECTED FROM
THE CAR.

SPASH

YEAH... GUESS WE
JUST AIN'T EXPERIENCED
ENOUGH WITH SUPER-
TYPE CRIMINALS,
KID.

AT LEAST WE
SAVED THE BANK...
BUT WHY IS IT I FEEL
LIKE ORSON WELLES
HOLDIN' THAT SNOW-
GLOBE AT XANADU?



